

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
COURT OF APPEALS

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In the Matter of MERCEDES DANIELLE DUMAS,  
KEELA TANECIA DUMAS, JAMES ROBERT  
DUMAS, KEON DESHAY GUINES, and  
DEONTAE DAJUAN GUINES, Minors.

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FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

DEON GUINES,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

JACQUELINE DENENE DUMAS,

Respondent.

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No. 210430

Wayne Juvenile Court

LC No. 96-340159

Before: Gribbs, P.J., and Saad and P. H. Chamberlain,\* JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent-appellant appeals as of right the juvenile court order terminating his parental rights to the minor children under MCL 712A.19b(3)(c)(i), (g) and (j); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(3)(c)(i), (g) and (j). We affirm.

The juvenile court did not clearly err in finding that the statutory grounds for termination under §§ 19b(3)(c)(i) and (g) were established by clear and convincing evidence. *In re Hall-Smith*, 222 Mich App 470, 472-473; 564 NW2d 156 (1997); *In re Vasquez*, 199 Mich App 44, 51-52; 501 NW2d 231 (1993). In addition, respondent-appellant failed to show that termination of his parental

\* Circuit judge, sitting on the Court of Appeals by assignment.

rights was clearly not in the children's best interests. MCL 712A.19b(5); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(5); *In re Hall-Smith, supra*. Therefore, the juvenile court did not err in terminating respondent-appellant's parental rights to the children. *Id.*

Affirmed.

/s/ Roman S. Gibbs

/s/ Henry William Saad

/s/ Paul H. Chamberlain